

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Benson et al.

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AND REINFORCING STRUCTURES

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Final Office Action mailed October 26, 2006, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on January 26, 2007.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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